IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

PATENT APPLICATION

Applicants:	Max Aebi et al.	Confirmation No.:	4698
Application No.:	10/539,659		
Int'l Appln. No.:	PCT/CH02/00704	I.A. Filing Date:	December 17, 2002
For:	INTERVERTEBRAL IMPLANT WITH JOINT PARTS MOUNTED ON ROLLER BODIES	Attorney Docket:	8932-1179-999 (new) (formerly LUS-16089)

New York, New York 10017 September 14, 2006

Hon. Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

SECOND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified patent application as

follows:

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2.

REMARKS begin on page 7.